



**THE PUBLIC MEETING OF COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF ESPANOLA**

**Council Chambers
Municipal Building**

**March 22, 2011
7:30 pm**

His Worship Mayor Mike Lehoux presiding.

Present:

Councillor, Beer, Fairbairn, Howard, McMaster, McMillan, Meikleham
Staff: J. MacKenzie, Clerk Treasurer/Administrator, P. Roque, Deputy
Clerk, J. Yusko, Manager of Public Works, T. Denault-Roque, Recording
Secretary

S. Vereault, Planner JL Richards (left at 8:30 pm)

Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof.

None

A moment of silence to honour two volunteer firefighters who lost their lives serving the community of Listowel was observed. Mayor Lehoux asked that the flags be lowered to honour these firefighters until the funeral.

Mayor Lehoux asked that we all be reminded of the volunteer firefighters that serve the Town of Espanola.

Public Hearings

Under Section 52 of the Planning Act, a public hearing is being held for the purpose of receiving comments on Consent Application;

Application No.	B-10/10
Applicant:	Ron Heale/Clear Lake Inn
Purpose:	Easement for construction of a private driveway to F&R Properties, south side of Clear Lake, Merritt Con 4, Lot 6 PT PCL 5308
Zoning:	RE – Estate Residential

The applicant and several residents of Clear Lake were present.

Mr. Joe Grenier, a local resident, voiced his concerns that future development would be taking place in an area that has already been identified as sensitive.

Mr. Heale explained to Council that the application was for the creation of a private road and not to obtain a building permit.

S. Vereault, Planner with J.L. Richards, explained to Council that from a planning perspective the interpretation of the word “development” means a change to the lot or parcel fabric. A discussion ensued regarding the recommendations that J.L Richards presented to Council.

Joel MacKenzie, Clerk Treasurer/Administrator commented that the updates and regulations to the Planning Act which shape the Official Plan and Zoning bylaw are designed to protect the interests of the taxpayers.

No written comments were received.

This Public Hearing portion of the meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

The Clerk Treasurer/Administrator requested that Item G1 be moved up in the agenda for a decision.

Item G1

Consent Application
B10/10

11-083 S. Meikleham – R. Fairbairn

Be It Resolved That: Consent Application B-10/10 be granted with the following conditions:

- 1) The consent application be amended to be a lot addition to F&R Properties and not an easement, thus providing both access and road frontage for F&R Properties in accordance with OP Policies;
- 2) A minor variance to Section 10.3 of the Town of Espanola Zoning By-law No. 1100 for a reduced frontage for lot be obtained;
- 3) 3 copies of the registered Reference Plan prepared by an Ontario Land Surveyor registered in the Province of Ontario, and signed by the Registrar, confirming the area and location of the lot addition be deposited with the Town; and
- 4) A Lakeshore capacity study as recommended by J.L. Richards be conducted prior to any development.

Carried

Delegations/Petitions

J. Yusko Manager of Public Works presented Council with an explanation on the department's nightshift operations and the advantages to the municipality regarding snow removal practices.

A brief discussion ensued regarding the municipality's efforts in addressing the needs of the community versus the accommodations to individuals.

Councillor Howard asked that the ice/snow scrapping procedures of the department be re-evaluated.

Councillor McMaster inquired about the financial savings in having a night shift during winter months. It was explained that savings come from the reduction in overtime.

Council thanked Mr. Yusko for his presentation and congratulated the Public Works Department on their efforts in keeping the sidewalks clear and sanded throughout the winter.

PART 1

CONSENT AGENT

CA-006-11 T. Howard – M. McMaster

Be It Resolved That: Items A1 to F4 contained in Part 1, Consent Agenda be adopted.

Carried

Items A1-A2

Minutes

11-076 T. Howard – M. McMaster

Be It Resolved That: The following minutes of Council are hereby accepted; Special Meeting of Council of March 8, 2011; Regular Meeting of Council of March 8, 2011.

Carried

Items B1-B2

Board and Committee Reports

11-077 M. McMaster – T. Howard

Be It Resolved That: The following Board and Committee reports are hereby Community Services Committee Meeting of March 15, 2011

Carried

Matters arising from the “In Camera Session”

No session held

Business Arising from Board and Committee

Community Services Committee Meeting of March 15, 2011

Item D1

SCADA Upgrades

11-078 J. Beer – T. Howard

Be It Resolved That: As Recommended By The Community Services Committee That: Council proceed with the engineering design component of the Water Treatment Plant SCADA Upgrades project prior to approval of the 2011/sewer budget.

Carried

A brief discussion ensued. The Clerk Treasurer/Administrator explained that a portion of grant money the municipality received in the past would be allocated to this project.

Item D2

5 Year High Class Bitumen

11-079 J. Beer – S. Meikleham

Be It Resolved That: As Recommended By The Community Services Committee That: The 5-year High Class Bitumen (Hard Surface) Plan be adopted and option 4 be considered for budget approval.

Carried

Item D3

Mutual Agreement

11-080 J. McMillan – R. Fairbairn

Be It Resolved That: As Recommended By The Community Services Committee That:

- 1) Council accept the Mutual Assistance Agreement Template as presented; and
- 2) The Template be incorporated into the Town's Emergency Response Plan.

Carried

Bylaws and Resolutions

Item E1
Confirmatory Bylaw

11-081 R. Fairbairn – J. McMillan

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw No. 2342/11 be now read a first time and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the rules of procedure be considered as having been read a second and third time and finally passed in open council. Being a confirmatory bylaw of Council.

Carried

Reports
Item F1 –F4

11-082 R. Fairbairn – S. Meikleham

Be It Resolved That: The following reports are hereby received: The following reports are hereby received: Leisure Services Department Departmental Report for February 2011; Building Services Department Departmental Report for February 2011; Fire Department Departmental Report for February 2011; Public Works Department Departmental Report for February 2011

Carried

PART II
REGULAR AGENDA
Bylaws and Resolutions

Item G2
FONOM Executive
Award

11-084 R. Fairbairn – S. Meikleham

Be It Resolved That: Council nominate Frank Gillis for the FONOM Executive Award.

Carried

Correspondence For Information Only

None

Information

This information was previously circulated to Council. If required a copy of the information is available at the Municipal Office.

- Cheque Register
- Letter from AMO
- Letter from Industry Canada
- Letter re: Senior of the Year Award
- Letter re: Newcomer of the Year Award
- Letter re: EMCPA

Conference and Conventions

FONOM – MMAH Annual Northeastern Municipal Conference – Timmins – May 11th – 13th, 2011

Mayor and Councillors Reports and Announcements

- Lions Club Fundraiser** Mayor Mike Lehoux reminded council of the Fundraiser breakfast for Ryan Vlaad taking place at the Recreation Complex on March 26, 2011.
- Listowel Firefighters** Councillor Howard commented that four of the Town's Volunteer Firefighters will be travelling to Listowel to represent Espanola in paying respect to the firefighters who lost their lives serving their community.
- Newspaper Q & A** Councillor McMaster circulated a copy of the ad that will be published in the Mid North Monitor.
She asked Council members to submit questions to the Clerk's office in order to have them answered and incorporated into the weekly ad.
- Community Partnership** Councillor Beer explained that she attended a Zone 1A meeting in Timmins and was introduced to community Partnership programs that she would be bringing to the attention of the Espanola Police Services.

Future Council Meetings

Corporate Services Committee of April 5, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting of Council of April 12, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

Adjournment

S. Meikleham – R. Fairbairn

Be It Resolved That: The Regular Meeting of Council is hereby adjourned.
Time 9:05 pm.

Carried

Mike Lehoux
Mayor

Joel MacKenzie
Clerk Treasurer/Administrator